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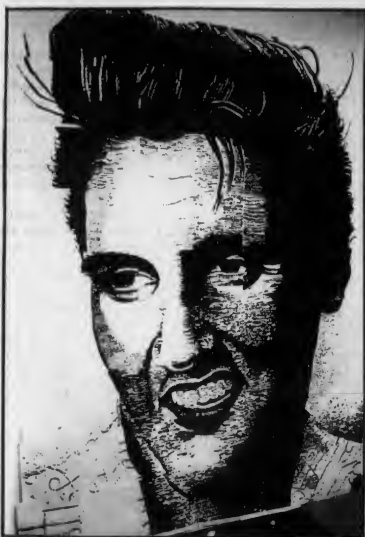


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Elvis lives in a composite drawing sketched in Drawing 1.

Second Annual AIDS Walk Held At MWC

AIDS Affects Faculty, Students In Attendance "On A More Personal Level"

By Sarah Cox
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Fifteen students and four faculty and staff members gathered at the fountain on Oct. 8 to take part in the second annual AIDS walk at Mary Washington College.

The group proceeded to Woodard Campus Center where a panel representing the panels on the AIDS Memorial Quilt, which was on display in Washington, D.C. Oct. 9-11, was hanging. Students had the opportunity earlier in the week to purchase and decorate their own small squares, which were put together on the panel.

After viewing the quilt, eight people volunteered to do readings of personal dispatches of contributors to the Quilt and others who have lost loved ones to AIDS. The authors of these pieces included parents, friends, siblings and lovers of people who had died of AIDS.

Spanish professor Andrea Purdy provided the articles, which included one piece by parents who shocked their small town community in 1986 by insisting their son's obituary include that he died of AIDS.

Almost all of the articles described

happy, healthy, loved people who became blind, unable to control bodily functions, or too weak to even lift an arm without blacking out because of the AIDS virus.

"When I did a reading to the group, AIDS became a very personal subject for me," said junior Amy Umberger.

The final reader was too emotionally moved by his article to finish reading it.

"Go see the Quilt. It will give you hope," Purdy told the crowd.

After the readings, each student, faculty and staff member lit a candle and carried it to Combs Hall for a moment of silence for those who have been hurt by AIDS or may be hurt by it in the future.

The AIDS walk, which was sponsored by the AIDS Education Committee, ended with the showing of "Common Threads," an AIDS related movie.

Lori Parrish, chairperson for the Peer Educators on AIDS,

said that two years ago, one in every 500 college students was HIV positive. Presently, the figure has risen to one in 400, she said. Applied to the number of students at MWC, this statistic means that about seven students on this campus would be HIV positive.

To promote awareness at MWC, Parrish, one of two students on the AIDS Education Committee headed by college physician Ilma Overman, provided the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Student Association with 75 brochures to hand out in the campus center during AIDS Awareness Week. Among the brochures were copies of a brochure which pictured an actual person putting on a condom.

Jay Vanover, GLBSA president and the other member of the AIDS Education Committee, said that although some people were surprised by the brochure, no one seemed offended or upset.

"We liked that brochure because it captured attention and we want to get everyone's attention in any way possible when it means protecting people from AIDS," Parrish said.

Parrish said that as far as she knew,

no member of the MWC administration had a problem with the brochure. She said that Vanover had given Joanne Beck, dean of students, a copy of the brochure.

Anyone who would like more information on AIDS can contact the MWC Health Center at x4606 or the Fredericksburg Health Department on Jackson St. at 899-4142.

CLARIFICATION

In the last edition of the Bulletin, two headlines referred to people who had and been memorialized on the NAMES Project AIDS quilt as "AIDS victims." The Bulletin staff has since become aware that the NAMES Project Foundation requests that the word victim not be used when referring to people with AIDS, as "the word 'victim' dehumanizes people with AIDS by emphasizing their deaths rather than their lives."

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Perot "presents an awfully simple notion as to how we would go about solving the problem."

Parsons said that Perot's chances decreased because he did not remain the race throughout the campaign.

Recent polls show that Clinton is out in front, but Kramer said we have to consider the electoral map. "It's not enough to simply look at overall points," he said.

Kramer said that Bush might lose California and Florida, and added that Bush is only ahead in three southern states, one of which is Virginia, who

has not voted for a Democrat president since 1964. He said that "the Perot factor is a real wild card" in the election.

"It doesn't take but so many votes to change the equation," added Kramer. Parsons thinks it's a two-man race. "I don't think he's [Perot] going to be a major factor at this point," she said.

Kramer cites the gender gap and the youth gap as two of the main reasons for Bush's loss of support.

The gender gap started in the Reagan years when women saw Reagan as being "trigger happy," according to Kramer.

This gap continues with Bush, according to Kramer.

"The extreme of the anti-abortion plank... will cause them [Bush and Quayle] to lose moderate women Republican supporters, especially young women," said Parsons.

They are turning away because of the economic situation and Bush's headline views on issues such as abortion, according to Kramer.

Morello said that if the momentum of the campaign does not pick up, it will favor Clinton.

"What we're hearing now is essentially

what we've been hearing all along," said Morello.

Although students differ in their views of the candidates, the economy is one of the main concerns.

"Anyone that thinks that Clinton isn't going to throw this country into complete and total economic ruin is kidding themselves," said senior Rob Cerullo.

However, the present state of the economy is causing some students to doubt Bush as well.

Fannie Davidson, a junior, favors Clinton primarily because of what he's done in Arkansas.

"He's worked with the worst and made the best of that situation," she said.

Another buzzword of the '92 Presidential Election is change. Many students look to Clinton for change.

"People realize that the Reagan and Bush administration is coming to an end," said senior Sally Brocksen.

"People are focusing on domestic issues such as the environment that the Republicans have chosen to ignore."

Some students agreed with Morello's view concerning Perot, saying that he has not been specific enough about what he plans to do.

"Ross Perot is a megalomaniac, and he wants to be a dictator. There's no other way he could implement half of his plans," said junior Andy Woodfin.

However many students agree that Perot would be a stronger candidate had he stayed in the race and chosen a different running mate.

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duPont (144), and in the Thornton Street lot near the MWC Heating Plant (68) will be designated as commuter parking spaces. These lots will provide 238 commuter spaces, 14 spaces more than the estimated 224 that are needed.

A lot at the north end of Sunken Road, which can be accessed by the Route 1 bypass, will provide 97 spaces for residents. Also, the college will build a temporary 110 space gravel lot for residents next to the lot at the north end of Sunken Road before the beginning of the spring semester. In addition, the Battleground lot will be extended to provide a 70 space gravel lot. These three lots will provide a total of 277 spaces for residential students.

Long-term solutions for providing adequate parking for residential students, which will be implemented by August 1993, include expansion of the Battleground complex. The expanded Battleground lot will provide more spaces than the temporary gravel lot the college plans to build.

According to the plan presented by Poyck, "The College is currently negotiating on the purchase of some property near the campus for the construction of an additional paved parking lot. This lot would provide safe and convenient parking for students accommodating approximately 225 vehicles."

The plans also note that MWC's en-

rollment cap of 4,000 students will ensure that the school will be able to provide ample parking.

Poyck said, "As enrollments change we will keep evaluating the situation."

Anderson said that next semester will be a learning experience and that some features of the plan will have to be worked through.

"Don't view the plan as this is the way it will always be," Anderson said. "Students will play a part in the reassignment and we will continue to move them around."

According to MWC statistics distributed by Poyck, "Of the 1,592 commuting students enrolled for 1992-93, 207 attend classes only after 6 p.m." The number of daytime commuting students is 1,385, and according to the statistics the peak number of commuting students on the campus at any time is 462. After allowing for students who bike, walk, or carpool to campus, the estimated peak number of commuting students at MWC in any given time during the day is 412. The estimated peak number after 6 p.m. is 318 students.

Poyck said that information will be sent to all commuter students which will explain that any parking in the College Heights area

beyond College Avenue will be considered a parking violation. She said that the MWC police, in cooperation with city police, will enforce the College Heights parking policy.

Anderson asked residents and students at the meeting for suggestions to improve the plan. He said that he realized that "there are some wrinkles which need to be ironed out."

One resident suggested that MWC "go one step further in terms of a shuttle service and escort service." Anderson said that the college plans to upgrade all services. He also said that he is interested in providing a shuttle to and from the commuter rail. He said that this is necessary because many students use the commuter rail for transportation to internships in Washington, D.C. and these students need escorts.

Another Fredericksburg resident said that he is concerned that no parking changes were made in the Hanover Street area.

Anderson said, "We don't have any plans to change parking on Hanover Street. We will use the streets for athletic events." Anderson said that police would continue to check the area and make sure no driveways are blocked.

A third Fredericksburg resident said that MWC should provide an

orientation for students who live off campus. "You need to know how to live in a community. There has to be some give and take," he said.

Anderson pointed out that landlords are responsible for their tenants. "We can't assume responsibility for students and what happens to them when they are living elsewhere."

Rob Bartenstein, chairperson of the community-college relations committee of the Student Association, said that his committee plans to provide a newsletter with general information about MWC activities that may affect Fredericksburg residents.

Bartenstein said, "Students should be expected to act with maturity and decency in the community."

One resident suggested that the college eliminate freshman parking, but Anderson said that was not an option.

"I would like to do everything we can to allow freshmen to have cars because more and more of our students have to work. It's kind of a 'catch-22' situation," Anderson said.

The resident also suggested a parking fee. Anderson said he would not consider charging students a parking fee. "We don't have a fee that says parking, but they pay [in other ways]," SA President Devon Williams said

that safety and reallocation are her major concerns. "Students will be part of the reallocation process," she said.

After the meeting, Heather Jacobs, chairperson of the Legislative Action Committee, said residential students will probably be upset about the plan, but she feels the commuter students will be very pleased.

"Commuting students will breathe a sigh of relief," she said.

Williams and Jacobs both said they were very pleased with how quickly the college dealt with the parking problem. They said they are working on a way to explain the plan to students in further detail through either fliers of a forum.

"I hope this shows people our involvement," Williams said.

Commuting Student President Will Shelburne said that the lack of flexibility of this plan bothers him, but he feels that this is one of the better plans that was under consideration.

"It's a pretty good compromise. We (commuter students) are getting prime parking," he said.

Shelburne said that the plan needs improvement.

"The main thing is students being able to visit students. I don't think we should be discriminated against because we have a sticker," he said.

Poyck said in an interview after the

meeting that this plan is a beginning for solving the problem.

"Our prime concern is with the safety of the students," she said. "This is an administrative decision but we want students to be part of the process." Dick Miller, vice president for business and finance, said that as it stands now, this plan is the best the college has come up with.

"Everyone is being asked to sacrifice something. No matter what you do someone will have a complaint," he said.

Miller said that this plan was not formulated overnight. "Permanent measures have been in the planning for a long time," he said.

"We listen to students an awful lot," he continued. "Sometimes the administration doesn't get the credit it deserves."

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AEROBIC LEADER TRYOUTS

The Office of Campus Recreation will conduct Aerobic Leader tryouts on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. in the Goodrick Auxiliary Gym. Tryouts will consist of a 10 minute routine, which should include a warm-up, aerobic section and a cool-down, and a written exam. The office is looking for additional leaders for the Spring Semester; however, you may be asked to serve as a substitute during the current semester. Interested persons should contact Campus Recreation at 899-4514.

MWC RECEIVES GOVERNOR'S PREVENTION AWARD FOR SECOND YEAR

The Commonwealth of Virginia has recognized Mary Washington College with its highest award for community crime prevention for the second consecutive year.

The annual recognition program is designed to honor colleges, municipalities and businesses which demonstrate excellence in their overall crime prevention efforts. A total of 13 organizations and agencies were recognized in this year's awards program.

ANNUAL GHOST WALK TOURS TO BE HELD

The Mary Washington College Historic Preservation Club is accepting reservations for its annual "Ghost Walk" tours of the Historic District in Fredericksburg. The 50-minute tours will be held on Oct. 23 and 24, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Admission tickets are \$3 for senior citizens and children under 12 and \$5 for all others. Reservations are required and may be made by calling 899-4137.

LECTURE ON JAMES MONROE PORTRAITS AT MWC ON OCT. 21

David Meschutt, curator of art at the West Point Museum, will present the fifth annual James Monroe Lecture at Mary Washington College on Wednesday, Oct. 21.

The lecture, entitled "Images of a President: Portraits of James Monroe," will be given at 7:30 p.m. in Monroe Hall, Room 104, and is open to the public without charge. A reception will follow at the James Monroe Museum, 908 Charles Street.

ELECTORAL FORUM TO BE HELD AT MWC

Three members of the Political Science Department will discuss various facets of the 1992 presidential election at a forum on Oct. 29. The forum will be held in Monroe 104 and is free and open to the public.

John Kramer, distinguished professor of political science, will moderate the forum. Political Science Professors Mark Rozell, Karen Parsons and Victor Fingerhut will be panelists. Political Science Professors Lewis Fickett and Richard Krickus will participate in the forum as discussants.

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS WEEK AT MWC

The Sexual Assault Committee has designated Oct. 22 as a day to stand up against sexual assault. A Bill Against Sexual Assault can be signed at the fountain from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. and a candlelight vigil will begin at 7 p.m., also at the fountain.

WHEELCHAIR

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campus.

"Our task in this case was to look at ADA guidelines and existing facilities and see how they comply. We did not come up with a cost for the structural changes. We identified deficiencies and possible solutions to those," said firm employee Paul Carper.

Dick Miller, vice president for business and finance, said that actual costs in order to comply with the ADA guidelines have not been produced.

"I would make the comment that it's going to be expensive," he said.

Miller said the 1995 deadline for making the campus fully accessible is a realistic one.

"ADA is heavily laced with words as good faith effort, and reasonable accommodations. In other words, they

realize public colleges and universities like us have limited resources. There is only so much that we can do. There is simply not enough money coming through the operating budget of the college to do everything we want to do," Miller said.

"The funding cuts that we've taken, in the last several years, have limited funds for everything, limited funds for educational supplies, limited funds for salaries, limited funds for handicapped accessibility," he continued. "The first thing we're going to have to do is analyze the total cost of getting in compliance, and then try to divvy it up in the next three years, so that no particular year is hit too hard."

Dana Jackson, an information specialist at the Disability and Business Technical Assistance, said that even

though a transition plan has been put together, an institution such as Mary Washington is still responsible for complying with the law during the three years the plan covers.

"What they are saying is that they put together a transition plan that demonstrates a good faith effort, but they just can't wait until the last day and say 'okay we're supposed to have this all done' and start implementing all of it. They can be subject to a complaint filed against them," Jackson said.

According to Gallup, the administration has responded to some of her needs. For example, a curb cut was put next to the handicapped parking space in front of Jefferson, strips were put on the ramp to create traction, and the elevator in Combs was worked

on this past summer. However, Gallup still feels highly frustrated with the campus and the administration.

"I am here for an education, this is what I want. I want what the law says is available to me," she said.

Tracy said the administration relies on students like Gallup to express their needs and concerns so that their problems can be dealt with.

"What is reasonable is for us to understand or find out from the student what they need, and then provide the appropriate accommodations," said Tracy.

This interaction is how Mark Phillips said his needs have been met at MWC. Phillips is a wheelchair-bound student currently living in Willard Hall.

"If there's something that needs to be done that they're supposed to do

but they haven't done, then I just go and ask them to do it. So far they've been really good about it. They're slow, but all administrations are slow," he said.

"Eventually it's all going to get fixed. It's just like stop lights when there are stop signs all over the roads. Whenever someone gets in an accident they put a stop light there, just to be absolutely positive it doesn't happen again. Yet they wait until that first accident happens," Phillips said.

Miller said that with the new law in effect, there will be no more need for students with disabilities to tell the administration what needs to be made accessible.

CENTER

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counting walk-ins. It's a matter of looking at the numbers and getting office space to match."

The space in Lee Hall that the Multicultural Center presently occupies belongs in part to Admissions, Residence Life and Student Affairs.

"Right now they (the multicultural center) are in a place that doesn't belong to them, and the folks who own it need it," said Philip Hall, vice president of academic affairs. "This is an issue the college has been trying to solve for some time."

According to Poeyck, President Anderson is expected to make a final decision on the matter sometime next week.

Parker said he is anxious to hear

Anderson's decision. He said the Multicultural Center needs to have three offices and a reception area in order to function smoothly.

"We have so many fine offices, it's just a matter of connecting them," he said. "If they say, 'Forrest, move tomorrow,' I'm ready to get my bags packed."

"We have a desire to stay connected with other organizations," he continued. "I'd like to think we are part of the fabric that makes up the quilt of MWC," Parker said.

The Writing Center played an active role at MWC as well. During the 1991-92 academic year, the center gave 1,120 tutorials to 593 different students. Carol Manning, associate

professor of English and director of the Writing Intensive program, is anxious to hear Anderson's decision, as well.

"We're quite happy to move if we are getting equally nice space," Manning said. "Trinkle is certainly our preference. We are anxious to know what our final resting place is going to be."

Manning believed that the space in Trinkle, which she prefers, would have to be shared between the Writing Center and a classroom, but Poeyck said that Trinkle 106 will not be needed as a classroom next semester. Other possible options for the relocation of the Writing Center include Goodrick Hall and Simpson Library.

Steampipe Bursts In Front of Ball; Causes Minor Repairs

By Kristen Green
Bull Assistant News Editor

The fire alarm went off in Ball Hall on Tuesday, Oct. 5 but it was not because a fire or burning food set it off. Instead it was set off by steam that was pouring into the building through a steampipe.

Danny Quann, plumber steamfitter foreman for the physical plant, said that the heat was turned on in all buildings on campus on Oct. 5. Trash was stuck in the steam reducer and let too much steam into the steam converters in Ball.

"The safety valve popped loose and let too much steam into the air," he said. The safety valves open whenever there is too much pressure from the steam.

"This is nothing abnormal. This happens," Quann said.

Quann said that in order to fix the problem, he ran the piping outside of the building. "The only reason Ball was such a big issue was because the steampipe went into Ball and it won't happen again," he said.

According to Sonja Peyton, head resident of Ball Hall, the fire department and physical plant came when the fire alarm went off. Residents had to wait outside for about an hour before they were allowed back into the dorm.

"We couldn't even stand at Ball circle because pipes run under it," she said.

According to Quann, the cost of the repairs was less than \$50.



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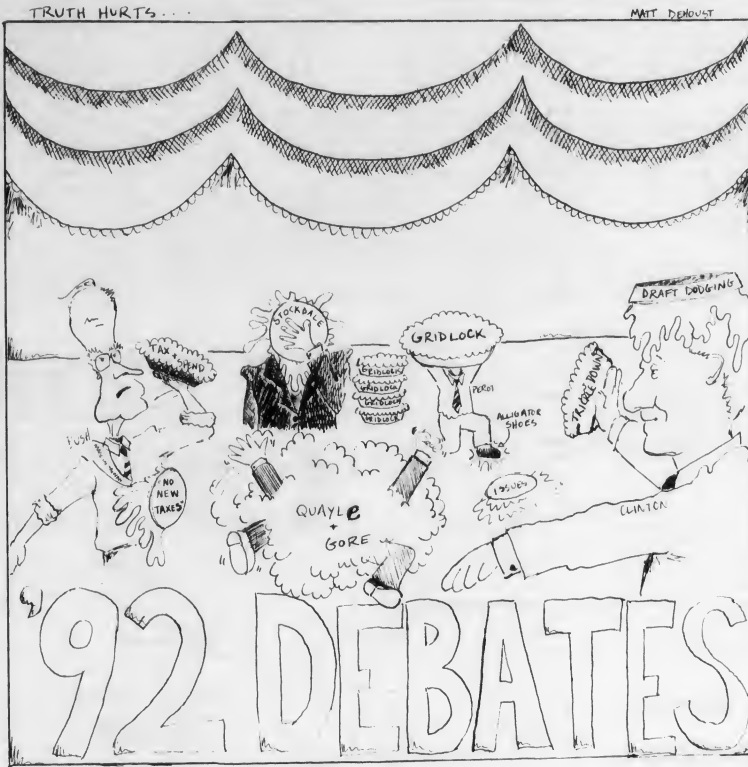
- giving tax benefits to businesses that create jobs.
- reducing tax benefits to businesses that go abroad for cheap labor.
- offering a permanent tax credit for businesses active in research and development
- using the "peace dividend" to retrain defense workers to produce civilian products and services.
- educating the next generation of workers by allowing students to provide community service in lieu of tuition.

Her opponent believes that solving the problems of unemployment and lack of international competitiveness are not the duty of elected officials, but rather should be left to the "marketplace." Leslie Byrne provides a more realistic view. She knows that in hard times it is even more important for government to be responsive to the people. Such times call for strong leaders such as Leslie Byrne to help solve our problems, not those who hide and deny the role elected officials must play in rebuilding our economy. **A vote for Leslie Byrne is a vote for our future!**

To find out more about Leslie Byrne's candidacy, and the new 11th Congressional District, call Bob Johns at (703)-978-8773.

By authority of Bob Johns, MWC History '92.

Opinions



Editorial

The Mary Washington College administration seems to have an aversion to commuting students and has little problem displaying this dislike.

How can we discourage commuters, they seem to have asked themselves.

They discuss the situation... harumph, harumph, harumph.

We can get rid of a substantial amount of commuter parking! They all agree, it's a brilliant strategy.

We can provide as few places as possible for commuters to study and relax while on campus! Heads nod in agreement. Again, another good idea.

Besides, those commuters have no interest in "campus life," they argue. They live off-campus because they don't want to be

included in "campus life."

But, if the college doesn't provide enough living space on campus for all 3696 students (2935 full-time and 761 part-time), how can the administration rightfully chastise students for living off-campus? In fact, the administration should be grateful that some students choose not to live on-campus so that they can house all the students who can't afford to live off-campus. (There are 1592 students who are classified as "non-dorm" and 2104 students housed on-campus for the 1992-93 year, which includes shoving transfer students in freshman dorms.)

By living off-campus, commuters provide space on-campus to accommodate housing needs. "Campus life" is not something all commuters are trying to avoid, and the administration shouldn't jump to such hasty conclusions.

J.G.

Letters to the Editor

Rights of Disabled Students are Not Taken Seriously

I would like to call to the attention of the student body the fact that the United States Congress in recent times passed the American with Disabilities Act, which shows the support of the United States Congress for those of us who are differently-abled. Mary Washington College has affirmed the rights of those who are differently-abled by passing its own Statement of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations, as well as the "Statement of Non-Discrimination," on page four of the current Student Handbook.

In light of these facts, it is very strange then, in fact, that Mary Washington College allows those who are not in need of handicapped parking the privilege of parking there. The case at issue involves our illustrious S.A. President, Ms. Devon Williams. Ms. Williams has a very attractive primer grey Trans Am which she ostentatiously parks in front of Combs. Ms. Williams is not differently abled, a point which some might argue, and therefore, should not be allowed to park there. Ms. Williams may argue that her

privilege stems from her involvement in student government; a point well taken. Ms. Williams is quite the active leader. Many of the students at Mary Washington College, however, give of themselves just as freely and are also involved in campus activities but are not afforded the same liberty. I think it would behoove us all, in this election year, to reexamine the privileges we extend to our elected officials. And what better place to start than with our own Madame President, Ms. Devon Williams.

Stephen Covert
Senior

Bill to Increase Sexual Assault Awareness Is Being Drawn Up

The month of October is designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the state of Virginia. In looking at the large number of sexual assaults that occur on college campuses, it is imperative that people become aware of this problem and take a stand against sexual assault.

In order to get people involved, the Sexual Assault Committee of Mary Washington College has

designated October 22, 1992 as a day to stand against sexual assault. A Bill Against Sexual Assault is being drawn up, and it will be available for people to sign at the Fountain between 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on this date. When the signing of the Bill is completed, it will be enforced on campus.

In order to help increase awareness and cover the cost to do so, the Sexual Assault Peer Educators ask that everyone who signs this Bill also be willing to donate a bill (\$1, \$5, etc.) to help in fighting sexual assault through awareness.

The second event for October 22 is a Candlelight Vigil to remember the victims and survivors of sexual assault. This vigil will begin at the Fountain at 7:00 p.m. We will walk to Harkamp Park and have a brief time of silence and inspirational readings. Following this, the candles will be lit, and we will walk back to Mary Washington College.

The only way we can fight sexual assault is to help people become aware of the issues surrounding sexual assault and to encourage one another to take a stand against sexual assault. Thank you so much for helping with this project.

Kimberly D. Floyd
Peer Educators,
Sexual Assault Committee

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Your Voice . . .

Has your view of the upcoming Presidential Election changed since the recent Presidential Debate?



Sarah Wenger
'94

Not really. I think presidential debates are more like personality contests and don't really show their views.



Cheryl White
'95

No, actually I voted absentee a couple of weeks ago. I don't think that anything new has surfaced. All the candidates are reiterating what they've been saying all along.



Ben Reese
'96

No, the presidential debates have not changed my views on the election.



Brian McRoberts
'94

One person can't turn the whole economy around by himself.



Matthew Ernst
'94

No, actually the debates have made me even more indecisive on who I'll vote for.



Robin Brumm
'95

No, since I already voted (absentee), the debates really weren't an issue, but I don't think they would have made a difference.

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Student Activities Report

L.A.C. Takes Steps Towards Community, College Reconciliation

Jennifer Caruth
L.A.C.

Over the past few months, there has been one student organization at the forefront of conflict resolution over the controversy surrounding strained college and city relations. That organization is the Mary Washington College Student Association's Legislative Action Committee.

As a subcommittee of the Student Association, the purpose of the Legislative Action Committee (LAC), as described in the 1992 student handbook, is "to concern itself with all lobbying efforts on legislative, political and community concerns."

This year, elected Chairperson Heather Jacobs, a sophomore, has focused on "those issues which affect students on all levels of government, whether that be national, state, local or campus." Jacobs has attempted to tackle student issues which are non-partisan, and "representative of a student body consensus. I don't feel comfortable taking on campaigns in which I wonder how the majority of Mary Washington students stand on the issue, for I am an elected lobbying representative of the students."

In their lobbying efforts, LAC works with the Student Association of Virginia (SAV) at the state level and with the United States Student Association (USSA) at the national level of government. The intent of these organizations is to inform legislators of the needs of higher education institutions and the students who attend them. In the past, these organizations have lobbied heavily for increased funds for Virginia's colleges and universities, in addition to increased student financial aid. On the state level, LAC is lobbying heavily for the passage of the \$472 million higher education bond referendum, which provides Mary Washington with \$12 million of desperately needed funds. "The bond will only help Mary Washington in the long run, for this money funds the renovation of the fine arts center and the enactment of a new science facility," said Jacobs. This year LAC will continue their campaign with USSA, through a postcard writing campaign, informing Congress that "we, as students, will vote this election, we do support higher education, and we will elect candidates who support higher education funding," said Jacobs. In addition, the committee hopes to lobby for the passage of the Violence Against Women Act, a national bill, which would provide more funding for college sexual assault programs.

This year the Legislative Action Committee will

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place emphasis on the "community concerns" aspect of the committee's role. "Our goal is to promote community activism, in the sense of dual college and Fredericksburg activism," explained Jacobs. LAC has become members of the newly formed organization, Citizens for Better Government. Although the organization was formed by other Fredericksburg residents in response to the misrepresentation of a number of City Council members, the students are invited to take an active role. Already a petition condemning the actions of the City Council has circulated the campus, and LAC acknowledges that a large number of students signed.

At the core of all campaigns, especially the recent local lobbying efforts, lies the need for student voter registration. "Legally, we have no right to lobby and make our grievances known, unless we are registered as voting constituents. We need to get students registered, whether at their parent's home or here at school, for that is the only route to mobilizing student power," said Jacobs. This fall, LAC sponsored two successful voter registration drives, amid the controversy surrounding student rights to vote in the City of Fredericksburg. Although the deadlines for voter registration have passed, LAC intends to follow up on this controversy, and to hopefully create a precedent in Virginia in which allows college students to register to vote in the city where their college is located.

As a result from their recent activism, the Legislative Action Committee is determined to make this year one of their best. They want to get the 18-24 year olds involved in politics to stamp out the notion that this age group is the most apathetic. They want to provide students with a voice to their legislators, and pave the way for future students demanding the betterment of higher education. As Jacobs explained, "Basically we want to provide permanent access to students and rid the stigma of student apathy. We want to be heard and remembered."

Gay Rights Violation is a Volatile Issue

Sheryl Fowler
G.L.B.S.A.

On September 26, a gay man and a lesbian sharing a house in Salem, Oregon, were killed when four people threw a Molotov Cocktail through one of their basement windows. On October 1, a lesbian activist in Denver, Colorado had a man walking around her house at night, looking into her windows and pounding incessantly on a bedroom window and then a door just as she was turning out the lights to go to sleep.

Although Oregon and Colorado are hundreds of miles apart, both they and the states of Maine and Florida have something in common. All four states have measures on the ballot for the November 3 election that would overturn all the gay rights legislation in those states and write provisions into the state constitutions that would make it illegal to pass any more gay rights legislation, ever.

Climates of intolerance aren't confined within state borders. Although no such legislation is on the ballot in Virginia, the raw hate and the misinformation about gays and lesbians in the campaigns out west foster the idea

that it isn't wrong to verbally or physically harass or even kill homosexuals. These attitudes spill over into areas even as large and as urban as Washington, D.C., where four gay men have been attacked in the Dupont Circle area in four separate incidents in the last two weeks. They also prevail in Fredericksburg, where gay and lesbian students are routinely harassed while shopping in Spotsylvania Mall, sitting in traffic and walking across a school parking lot.

This year, when the GLBSA put together B GLAD, Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Awareness Days, the focus was shifted. In a climate where hatred and violence against homosexuals could become tacitly accepted by law, awareness isn't enough. Even simple tolerance, allowing gay men and lesbians to live in a climate free of fear and harassment, is impossible. The workshops this year focus more on issues than on culture, with presentations on the military, homosexuality and religion, gay and lesbian parents trying to foster acceptance, and the values like loyalty, faith, and love that everyone shares, regardless of sexual orientation. Another change this year is that the days to pick items of clothing to support gay, lesbian, and bisexual rights

are three days instead of one. Wednesday, Oct. 21 is Wear Jeans Day, Thursday, Oct. 22 is Wear Sneakers/Tennis Shoes Day, and Friday, Oct. 23 is Wear T-Shirt Day. If changing your wardrobe for three days seems too inconvenient, keep in mind that every day, homosexual and bisexual people have to make the same choices not only about what we wear, but also what we say, and to whom, and were we go, and how much controversy we want to cause by defending our rights to live openly and without fear. Having to make choices that go against what seems to be the most comfortable for you is in a small way what it is like having to live in a closet, not being honest with yourself and others in fear that people with accept all the misconceptions that surround homosexuality and believe things about you that you don't like, and that you know aren't true.

If you do support gay rights but are afraid of being physically threatened, verbally harassed, or losing your friends for doing so openly, you are taking the first step toward understanding what it is like to be openly homosexual or bisexual in an intolerant world.

Perot Brings Fresh Look to Presidential Campaigns

Lori Betourne
Columnist

The American people should be "all ears" this election year. With the introduction of a strong third candidate, the contest between the candidates has actually become interesting. The entrance of this independent candidate has brought the kind of attention that has caused people who have not voted in 16 years, to register.

H. Ross Perot has sent shock waves through the media, the political process, and more importantly, the voters. What could have been a boring 90 minute debate with the Republican and Democratic candidates arguing about trust and character, turned out to be an entertaining political forum. With Perot's quips and blunt honesty, it made the other two candidates appear as stale politicians, delivering the same empty promises.

Perot, clearly, is not a politician — neither is his running-mate, James B. Stockdale. The fact that he is

not a politician neither qualifies him nor disqualifies him for the office of President of the United States. Perot doesn't have to win to make his impact on this election. Perot is stirring political interest among many Americans which could have a powerful effect on the "traditional" political machinery. He has brought to light the gridlock in the political system, without pointing fingers specifically at a particular party. To Perot, our problems are everybody's faults. He has helped voters realize that strong leadership and nationalism are needed to "jumpstart" this country.

Perot challenges us to consider who and what we want in office. The American voters must decide who is the most capable to carry out the duties of President. Perot is great at cracking jokes, but is he capable of handling an international or domestic crisis. Are any of the candidates?

Perot is not expected to win this election; he lost a lot of support when he withdrew from the race. Whatever the outcome of the election in November, Ross Perot has made an impact on politics in our country and may be paving the way for a better election, and a better Washington in 1996.

Phonothon Entices Alumni to Support Alma Mater

Volunteers Get Fun, Food, and Free Phone Call

Jennifer Williams
Columnist



Wanted: spirited volunteers to chat with MWC alumni. Will provide dinner, snacks, free ten-minute phone call anywhere within the continental U.S. MWC bookstore certificates, complimentary coffee cup, and special awards for outstanding volunteers. No experience necessary.

Sound too good to be true? Amazingly enough, there is no trick to the above ad; it is for the Annual Giving Office's Phonathon which runs October 25 through November 19, and we need a lot of volunteers to help us with this program.

What is Phonathon? Essentially, the Phonathon is part of the Annual Fund, an event sponsored to raise funds primarily for financial aid and scholarships. The funds which are raised also help with the lock and key security system for dorms, MWC vans, the MWC Today Magazine, alumni events, and special student needs.

How are funds raised? MWC volunteers call alumni and ask for money in the form of pledges. Alumni

are expecting someone to call about the Annual Fund, so your call is not a complete surprise to them. (Generally, they are very interested in talking to you, it is a good way for them to find out what is going on at MWC!)

What happens on a typical night at Phonathon? Volunteers come to Meeting Room #1 of the Woodard Campus Center at 5:45 for dinner (pizza, pop, fruit, snacks, etc.). Training lasts from 6:15 until 7:00. From 7:00 until 9:30 students call alumni while alumni volunteers tally results and college staff process pledges. At 9:30 the most enthusiastic caller of the evening is awarded a gift certificate from an area business, and then everyone receives a free ten-minute phone call anywhere in the continental U.S. For each new or increased pledge, volunteers receive

25 cents toward their next purchase at the bookstore, and all volunteers receive a complimentary MWC coffee cup. Additionally, all volunteers are invited to the Phonathon Banquet which is held in March.

Last year, 304 students and 50 alumni volunteers contributed over 1450 hours to this project. As a result, alumni pledges totaled \$317,140 — an astounding yet much needed amount considering the state's budget cuts to MWC.

This fall, the goal for the Phonathon is \$275,000. With the continued dedication and support of volunteers, this goal can be reached. Please volunteer!!! Annual Fund support provides enhancements which help MWC increase its competitive edge as a top quality liberal arts institution, AND volunteering is FUN!! "The Phonathon is a great time. It's a good way to meet alumni and find out what has changed on campus. It's also neat to see where graduates go after college," said sophomore Catherine Carter.

To sign up or for more information, contact Monicia Naggs at X4645 or me, Jennifer Williams, at X4493. I hope to see you there!!

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Features

Quilt Volunteer Learns More Than The Facts

By Zelina Murray
Bulletin Assistant Features Editor

On Saturday of our fall break, I settled down on the beige leather sofa in our living room and clicked the television on, flipping through the stations. I stopped as a familiar sight caught my attention: on our CNN station was the sight of the Washington Monument with the NAMES Project Memorial Quilt sprawled out in front of it. I stopped flipping stations long enough to listen to the anchorperson announce what it was and what it was for. I picked up the remote and began flipping again, and this time I stopped at another familiar sight: a panel from the Quilt that I had seen only hours ago at the NAMES Project Quilt display in Washington, D.C. I placed the remote down and watched the Quilt documentary "Common Threads" on our local PBS station. As I watched the ending of it, I began to think of my past two days in D.C. and my involvement with the Quilt.

I knew all the facts and could rattle them off at any moment's prompting: "The NAMES Project Memorial Quilt contains 20,000 panels with 27,000 names and is large enough to cover 12 football fields or 15 acres."

I had written an article for the *Bulletin* on its upcoming international display in October. My preparation to write that article led me to the NAMES Project volunteer headquarters in Washington, D.C. for an afternoon. I talked with people who had lost family members and friends to AIDS. I also worked on a quilt panel. After that day at the volunteer headquarters, I returned to campus with the attitude that absolutely nothing matterd anymore - nothing. There were people dying, 15 acres worth of memorials, and the closest that I had come to AIDS was reading about it in the newspaper and watching reports on the evening news. It was time to play catch-up. So I lost all my interest and concentration for my schoolwork, and I began entertaining myself by reading about the Quilt, looking at pictures of Quilt panels and preparing myself to be a member of a Quilt unfolding team the morning of October ninth.

When the eighth of October arrived, I was pretty anxious to leave for D.C. I was leaving that night with two friends, who were also taking part in the Quilt opening, to go to D.C. and check into our hotels so we could be at the Quilt bright and early 7:30 a.m. on Friday morning to be trained for the Quilt opening. By 9:30 p.m. Thursday evening, I was just ready to get off the



Photo By Mike Woodward

The NAMES Quilt, including these newest panels, were viewed by thousands

Mary Washington College campus and in D.C.

I had glanced at a *Washington Post* earlier that day and checked the weather for Friday. It called for rain. "It won't rain," I thought. "It can't rain, it won't rain, rain is not allowed for October ninth."

During our drive to D.C. I began thinking about how each person who had seen the Quilt had told me that it was impossible to explain the feelings they got from seeing it in its entirety. That it was just simply put "unbelievable and indescribable." But for some reason, I felt that those words would not find their way into my vocabulary. How could they? I had never lost anyone to AIDS - I couldn't relate to the people who had, and I wasn't about to try to put myself in their positions because that just couldn't be done.

I was wrong.

On Friday morning, I awoke to the sound of "It's a quarter till seven," from Judith Parker, assistant professor of English and linguistics. We were supposed to be up at six. There were four of us in the hotel room and

we all needed an adrenalin jumpstart. Realizing that we had less than enough time to dress and get to The Mall was enough to get us into gear. I dressed and looked out the window. It was warm and overcast, and I again started thinking, "It won't rain, it can't rain."

By twenty after seven, we made our way down to the lobby and saw a familiar sight - red ribbons and people dressed in all white. As volunteers and participants of the Quilt unfolding ceremony, we were asked to dress in all white.

As Parker, freshman Tara Johnson, and I headed to the mall in a taxi, drizzle began to fall. I began to think about Ford and Ruth. They were two people who I had interviewed while at the volunteer center only a few weeks ago. I hoped to see them as well as meet Cleve Jones, the founder of the Quilt. By the time we were dropped off at The Mall, it started to rain heavier, and none of us had an umbrella. We searched for other members of our Mary Washington unfolding team and found them in the registration line. "I can't believe it's

raining," I thought as I began to observe just how transparent my white oxford shirt was becoming.

After registering, we walked around in the progressively harder rain waiting on the answer to the question: Will the Quilt be displayed today? If so, where? I decided that I wanted to find Cleve Jones while we waited. While looking for Cleve, we passed the space marked off for the Quilt. As far as I could see, little squares marked off the entire area behind the Washington Monument. I couldn't believe that later that day or the next day that whole entire space was going to be filled.

The rain reduced itself to a drizzle again, and I stopped and asked someone who looked important if she had any idea about what they were going to do with the Quilt since it was raining. She said that if the rain stopped and if the sun came out, the Quilt would go out. I looked at my now transparent shirt and figured that the rain wasn't really going to stop anytime soon. Then I asked her if they were going to do the reading of the NAMES today. "Yes," she said.

"Do you know where Cleve Jones is?" I asked.

She smiled and said, "Yes, he'll be the first reader at ten o'clock."

"I'd like to meet him," I said.

She smiled at me again and put her arm around my shoulder and led me to him. "There he is," she said, pointing him out. "The one in the glasses."

I looked over and saw a man with dark hair and glasses, eagerly talking with two people. She walked me over to him. "Cleve, this is someone who wanted to meet you," she said to him, and left.

I introduced myself to him quickly and told him where I was from. He smiled and introduced me to a friend of his who was standing beside him. We chatted briefly and I realized that he had a lot of things to do other than stand there and talk with me. "It's so nice that you're here," he said, as he gave me a hug good-bye. I broke out into a grin because I had the feeling that he meant it.

I rejoined my group, wondering if I would see Ruth or Ford anytime soon, then I looked in the direction of a Winniebag and saw Ruth standing in front of it. I left my group again and went over to say hi to her. She greeted me with a hug and was in good spirits. I began to wonder how she would hold up if the Quilt went out

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Experiencing Life At MWC In A Wheelchair

By Jennifer Rice
Bulletin Staff Writer

Brick walks and old buildings create a picturesque atmosphere on the campus of Mary Washington College. But those and other aspects which characterize the college also produce, for the students with physical disabilities, a degree of hardships too difficult to ignore.

Scott Smith, a resident assistant in Willard Hall, doesn't want to continue to ignore the problems: physically disabled students have

son in a wheelchair."

Smith talked to Mark Phillips, a Willard resident who is in a wheelchair, about his plan. Phillips said, "It'd be good for the administration. It's difficult to get around, and this is the best way to [make them aware]."

Phillips said, "They should make them go to all the buildings. Not every building is wheelchair accessible. The administration is not as aware as they could be."

Phillips said he realized that there is the possibility that the administration will not participate. "Even

if they don't, it's good for the RAs. It'll make them ask questions," he said.

Pete Lefferts, associate dean for residence life, said, "It's a very good idea because it brings awareness to people much more concretely than it would otherwise. When you have to spend a day like, you do gain a more clear appreciation of what is taking place."

Joanne Beck, vice president for student affairs and dean of students, said, "We may not have been as attentive to the needs of wheelchair students in the past because we haven't had many wheelchair students enrolled on campus."

She said, "Our campus is not friendly to wheelchairs due to all of the hills. Every building is accessible, but it's not always the direct path. I think it's wonderful that students are willing to be interested in making life more accessible for the handicapped student."

According to Conrad Warlick,



Dean Joanne Beck

Smith not only wants the Willard RAs to participate, but he also wants to challenge the administration to participate as well.

"We would like to just do it so we ourselves as RAs can understand how it is and then politely challenge the administration to say, 'Hey, look at this!'" said Smith.

Smith said that he wants to challenge administrators, particularly those directly involved with residence life.

According to Smith, the goal of the project is not to attack any one person as being to blame for the problems. "We just want to hike the awareness because people try to ignore it," Smith said.

Smith said the idea started when, in the beginning of the year, he found out that one of his residents uses a wheelchair. After spending time with him, Smith said, "It became evident that this place is virtually inaccessible to a per-

Tattoos Not Just For Bikers and Lunatics Anymore

By Jay Jay Dockery
Bulletin Staff Writer

Five years ago at a family Christmas dinner, my cousin Allison showed me her tattoo, a small yellow smiley face on her backside. I was completely appalled. I thought only bikers and lunatics got tattoos. But in the past few years, tattoos have been appearing on all different types of people, from rock stars such as Anthony Kiedis of the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Axl Rose of Guns-N-Roses to college students all over the country, including Mary Washington College students. The trend got the best of me, and one recent Friday night, my friend Tom and I ventured out to get tattooed.

"I can't believe you're really doing this," my roommate Mary said as we climbed into Tom's 1964 VW bus. "You'll have this tattoo for the rest of your life."

The permanence of it fascinated me, and we headed west towards Renegade and Sons, a tattoo parlor about 20 minutes outside of Fredericksburg in a town called Woodford. Tom and I both got increasingly nervous the closer we got. When we arrived at the house, Tom immediately had second thoughts.

"I'm not doing this. Look, these people have a hearse in their front yard and a sign that says 'Harley Parking Only!'" he said.

And sure enough, there was a hearse, and about 12 motorcycles and numerous other run-down vehicles scattered around the yard. I took a deep breath. Inside, we were greeted by Bill King, tattoo artist and owner of Renegade and Sons.

King was everything I expected of a tattoo artist. He stood about six feet tall, with dark frizzy hair tied back into a ponytail. His face was partly covered with a beard, just as his arms were partly covered with various tattoos, most commemorating his years in the Coast Guard.

The "tattoo parlor" consisted of a room in the back of the house that King. King led us to, as we were followed by an assortment of household animals. The room was cluttered with pictures of tattooed bodies



Several MWC students sport tattoos. Clockwise from upper left: tattoos belonging to Chris Irvine, Meredith Cheney, Matt Withers and Scooter Woodriddle. Photos by Kim Stoker.



and motorcycles, and hundreds of tattoo designs to choose from.

Tom already knew exactly what design he wanted, a black Grateful Dead skeleton, so I let him go first while I looked through all the design books, quietly observing the process.

"This won't hurt a bit," joked King, "although I have had an Airborne Ranger pass out cold on this floor, but you know how those Army guys are."

Tom and I looked nervously at each other. Just what we needed, a tattoo artist with a sense of humor. But his Board of Health license was posted in plain view on the wall, so we felt safe. He gave Tom a form to read and sign before he would begin any work.

"Basically, this form states that you will not sue if anything goes wrong or if you are not satisfied with your tattoo. Oh, by the way, you have to pay before I begin work," said King.

The cost of tattooing varies with each artist, depending on the type of operation he is running, and the complexity of each tattoo, according to King. My tattoo cost \$25, but he charged Tom \$35 because his design was larger. King's cost run relatively less than those of larger parlors in larger cities. MWC sophomore Scott McKnight recently received a tattoo

from Way Cool Tattoos in Richmond. His design a small black ecology symbol on his shoulder and cost \$60. King said that the difference between his costs and larger parlors is because he depends on word-of-mouth advertising and maintains a low overhead to keep prices down.

Tom signed the form, paid his money, and King got to work. He shaved the chosen spot on Tom's back, and imprinted the design with carbon paper.

"Just out of curiosity, how long have you been doing this?" I asked as King picked up his needle.

"I've been tattooing for about ten years, but I did not become a legal artist until about two years ago. With the AIDS scare and everything, I wanted to make sure that everything I did was completely safe. Now I have to comply with health regulations, and every customer gets their own new needles," said King.

According to King, learning the art of tattooing is based entirely on an apprenticeship basis. To become a professional artist, King had to complete 2000 hours of work with a licensed artist. King recently completed training his oldest son William Jr., who has begun work with Ren-

egade and Sons.

The needle was lowered onto Tom's back and looked like something my dentist uses to torture small children. I found it hard to believe that people do this by choice. In fact, a lot of people have begun to make this choice recently. I knew 12 Mary Washington students who have tattoos. Most were acquired in the past year. The reason for getting tattoos vary as much as the designs themselves.

According to sophomore P.K. Hensel, proud wearer of a permanent yellow and blue sunburst on his shoulder, "I got it for myself because I really wanted it, but I feel like it's gotten too trendy lately. Some people are getting them to be cool, and they'll probably regret it soon."

Some people find the trend a good reason to get a tattoo. Sophomore Kathy Austin has wanted one for years, but has never had the nerve to get one.

"Now that I know more people with tattoos, it'll be easier for me to get one. And I have friends that will go with me too," she said.

Not everyone can be convinced by this trend. Junior Beth Kiser said, "I don't care if everyone else in the world gets a tattoo, I will not get one. All in all picture is me, 60 years from now, with some wrinkled picture on my body, and I don't find that attractive at all."

MWC alumna Tracy McSherry had quite a different reason for the small purple ribbon tattooed on her ankle. McSherry originally wanted to get an entire circle of flowers around her ankle, but found the pain unbearable. She said she wanted a tattoo just for decoration and to prove what a tough woman she is.

"There is a certain amount of pain involved, especially depending on the body part you choose to decorate. I would strongly recommend getting one on the fleshier parts of your body, otherwise it will hurt like hell," said McSherry.

The pain factor is an important thing to consider before getting a tattoo. King feels that the pain depends on the individual. He compared the pain

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Sports

Division III Athletics at MWC: A Step Above The Competition

By Allison Murdoch
Bulletin Sports Editor

The main emphasis at Division III colleges is education, but what cannot be overlooked is the role of the athletic programs offered at these schools.

In the 1992-93 NCAA Handbook, the basic purpose of Division III colleges is to "maintain intercollegiate athletics as an integral part of the educational program and the athlete as an integral part of the student body."

As a Division III school, Mary Washington College, must follow many NCAA rules to meet the purpose of athletics as stated in the handbook. Many MWC administrators, coaches, athletes, and students feel MWC is successful in reaching the requirements of Division III athletics.

"There's integrity in athletics and most Division III programs have a healthy perspective in what they're trying to accomplish," said Paul Richards, MWC men and women's swimming coach.

The MWC athletic programs have grown in the last ten years. According to the Self Study done by the Student Developmental Services Criteria Committee, MWC has grown from 16 intercollegiate teams in 1981 to 21 teams in 1991.

The Self Study also states that approximately ten percent of the student body plays a sport. From these figures, it is obvious that athletics are important at MWC. Also, with this expansion in the athletic department, the athletic programs have become more competitive. Because MWC has become more competitive, what should be the guidelines followed regarding recruiting and selectivity?

According to the NCAA Handbook, the principle governing recruiting and selectivity is that there is a balance between athletics and academics.

There are different reactions to the purpose of recruiting and selectivity at

Division III schools, but most people at MWC agree that these two issues play an important part in the philosophy behind Division III athletics.

Ed Hegmann, MWC athletic director and women's tennis coach, says there are three steps to the selection process at MWC.

"Selectivity to the college is out of our hands and in the hands of admissions," said Hegmann. "Division I and II legally have slots open for athletes, but this is illegal in Division III."

After this first step of just getting admitted to the college, athletes must attend open try-out sessions for the athletic team they wish to participate on. The next step, according to Hegmann, would be either making the team or being cut.

"We have to make cuts because we don't have the coaching staff or the facilities to provide adequate attention to a large team," said Hegmann. He also added that selectivity will continue to be a part of every student's life.

Richards believes that there has to be selectivity at Division III schools like MWC because of limited money and space for training the athletes. Richards also added that there will always be competitiveness at the Division III level.

"Intercollegiate athletics, there will always be competitiveness and it will vary from school to school," said Richards.

Richards applies this to his own swimming team. He makes the point that most of the swimmers at MWC could not swim for Kenyon College that offers a very competitive swim program for the Division III level. This proves that the amount of competitiveness and selectivity differs at each Division III college. All Division III schools are not equal in what they offer student-athletes.

Another question facing the purpose of Division III athletics is, should all athletic programs be open to all those



Coach Conway instructs her players at a recent practice.

Photo by Kim Stucker

interested individuals? In practice, this is impossible because of recruiting and selectivity.

"Division III can't provide the vehicle for all students to participate in all athletics," said Richards. "If you want this then what should be created is a Division IV."

Dana Soper, MWC women's lacrosse and field hockey coach, agrees with both Richards and Hegmann that the size of a team at MWC is limited because of financial reasons.

"You cannot keep 35 girls on a field hockey team and expect to have all them play, and also be competitive," said Soper. "If people are interested then create an intramural team for them, and this will provide them the opportunity to play a sport."

These three coaches agree that

because of limited finances and space, Division III schools, including MWC, must be selective. Also to keep the program competitive, it is necessary to recruit and have the most capable players make up a team. Hegmann, Richard and Soper also agree that intramural sports are provided for those unable to make the MWC varsity team.

"Overall, Division III is working definition of amateurism," said Bob Liebau, MWC head athletic trainer. Liebau says that a prevailing aspect of Division III athletics is that the athletes are student-athletes and not athlete-students. Liebau adds that it depends on the philosophy of the school on how selective they are.

When discussing the Division III programs at MWC, Liebau says that because MWC is so competitive

academically, the selection process is already filtered somewhat before athletes try out for a sport.

"Coaches at MWC know they're wasting their time with recruiting a good athlete who is only a marginal student," said Liebau. "The people you want are those marginal athletes who are good students because you can create potential."

The main group of people being affected by recruiting and selectivity are the actual students. Most student-athletes and students think selectivity and recruiting are positive aspects of Division III sports.

Jennifer Murray, a MWC 1992 graduate, believes only those people qualified should make the team, and those that do not make the team can go into intramurals. Murray also states

that student-athletes at MWC are successful in finding a balance between sports and academics.

"Athletics don't get any special privileges," said Murray. This idea is also mentioned in the Self Study done by the Student Developmental Services Criteria Committee. The study concluded that "academic good standing and fulfillment of curricular requirements are the same for athletes as for other student."

Most athletes at MWC seem satisfied with the program offered to them, and feel MWC athletics are competitive. Although they are not playing in Division I and II programs, the level of competition at MWC is adequate for their needs.

"There's competitiveness at Division III and there are a lot of talented athletes," said Brooke Vallaster, a former junior MWC volleyball player. Vallaster adds that with recruiting, no matter how much a coach recruits, it is always up to admissions who gets in. "Division III doesn't mean it's a joke," said Alison Cerul, a junior on the swim team. "We beat some Division I teams - it doesn't always mean everything."

Regarding selectivity, athletics agree that to stay competitive a team must keep only student-athletes with the ability to add to the team. Selectivity is just part of life is the feeling of many athletes.

"Not everybody can play," said Janet Marshall, a senior former softball player. "That's really the bottom line."

Most agree that selectivity is good, but some have problems with Division III teams that are too selective or competitive.

Selectivity and recruiting are two complicated issues facing Division III colleges. However, the overall view is that the MWC athletic program is meeting the principles and purposes of Division III athletics.

Canada's Team, America's Game?

Tim Dwyer
Bulletin Sports Editor

Fall has so many gives, cooler temperatures (especially in my house), color changes in the leaves, and baseball's World

Series.

Yes, the fall classic is back and this year the title finally fits the best-of-seven series. We are watching "America's Team," the Atlanta Braves and Canada's own Toronto Blue Jays. This is the first time a non-American team has reached baseball's final dance, and hopefully it will be the last.

How can anyone possibly root for a Canadian team that is not wearing ice skates and shooting a puck?

There are so many things wrong with Toronto being in the World Series. First, they can't make up their mind whether or not they want to play under a stupid dome, or outside with the polar bears. Whoever heard of a retractable roof? At least when a US city messes up, like Houston they make the mistake of playing indoors permanent. Minnesota thought they had a permanent roof until all that snow.

Another problem with the blundering Blue Jays and their faulty facility has to be the lack of grass, but this can be understandable since grass can't grow too well in Canada's frozen tundra. Astroturf is the crappiest invention ever to baseball. Only dumpy clubs in America, like the ever choking Pittsburgh Pirates play on pseudo-grass.

Canada's baseball fans are also a step below the typical American crowd. Do the Blue Jays have any kind of original invention for the fans to participate in? The Braves have the Tomahawk Chop, the Mets have the "K Korner," and the Tigers have the world known wave.

I guess the Toronto supporters think that sitting on their hands counts as support. As a result, the Braves will win.



Kim Cornell works the ball down the field

Photo by Art Soper

Field Hockey Keeps On Winning

By Stacey Freed
Bulletin Staff Writer

With a 3-1 victory over Washington College on Saturday Mary Washington College's field hockey team's record breaking winning streak alive with 12 straight wins.

"Coach made up the schedule so that we could play the two toughest teams at the end," said junior Leslie Ptashinski. "In the beginning of the year we were playing weak teams. This helped to build up our confidence."

At the beginning of each season, Coach Dana Soper tries to instill her philosophy of the game into her players.

"I want them to keep pressure on the ball and keep a triangular attack," said Soper. "There should always be someone ready. Hit and hope as I call it."

As a first year coach three years ago at MWC, Soper faced the job of recruiting.

"I was able to talk to incoming freshmen and a total of 38 tried out and there were some overclassmen I cut who had played before," said Soper. "I look for control and the ability to not lose your temper. One of my strictest policies is no cursing. There were some overclassmen who wanted to express themselves, and I chose the ones who were able to adjust."

According to freshman Stephanie Lowe, Coach Soper sticks to another policy as well.

"We're not allowed to drink at all, and we're not supposed to drink carbonated drinks because of endurance," Lowe said. "All I know is it helps us."

"She's strict with us during the season and it makes us more disciplined during the games," said senior Gretta Nelson.

Another contributing factor to the team's success is its unity, according to Lowe. said Lowe.

"We all go as a team to eat together. We've got a great coach because she communicates well and gets us to communicate," Lowe said. "We feel comfortable with her, and if you're hurt she wants to know."

"This year is the closest team we've had in three years," said Ptashinski. "We've weened out the ones who weren't prepared."

According to Ptashinski, this year is unusual not only because the team is breaking records, but also because of the way the team is set up.

"This year we have seven captains. It works out well because there's such a big unit of leadership," said Ptashinski. "Every three weeks we rotate so two juniors get to be captain at a time. We talk about what side to play on, we talk to the refs, and we go over the rules."

The team got the NCAA bid last year for the first time in 30 years.

As for the future, Soper wants to see the team get the number one seed for the conference championships.

"We're on track for another bid to the national invitational tournament," said Soper. "We think we can do it."

"We're still kind of the underdog, but if we beat Eastern Mennonite and Salisbury State, we'll be seated higher," said Ptashinski. "Monthly, we all realize we have a lot of potential and we can see the future too. It's wide open now."

Sports Briefs

Men's Soccer Wins Big

The Eagles won two games last week, a 14-0 win over Galludet and a 5-0 victory over York (PA). In the win over York, senior Tony Trepal scored three goals to increase his team leading total to 12, seven have been in the last two games. MWC will play at Johns Hopkins on Wednesday and at home this Saturday.

Cross Country Finishes Second

Both the women's and men's cross country teams finished second this past weekend in the Virginia State Division II-III Championships at Newport News. Freshman Allison Coleman was the top female finisher for MWC with a time of 18:19. Junior Chris Kochler led the men with a time of 26:31.

Volleyball Goes 3-2 in Tourney

The 24-5 MWC volleyball team lost in the semi-finals of the Western Maryland Invitational to the host school by the score 7-15, 15-10, 5-15. Senior Tamalyn Reed had an excellent tournament for the Eagles, recording 67 kills in the five game span. Reed recorded 22 in the quarterfinal match against York College.

Women's Soccer Defeats Methodist

The Eagles defeated Methodist 3-1 in a crucial match-up of South Region powers. Junior Becky Miller opened the scoring for MWC. Freshman Julie Mason and sophomore Mary Knight had the other two goals for the 8-5-1 Eagles. Sophomore Kelley Walsh recorded two assists in the game.

Baseball Finishes 9-0

The Eagles ended their fall exhibition schedule undefeated by defeating Bridgewater in a doubleheader.

Women's Tennis Ends 5-0

The tennis team finished 5-0 in dual meets for the fall season by defeating Washington & Lee.

Jackson Heading South

Junior Anna Jackson will travel to Corpus Christi, Texas this week to participate in the Rolex National Small College Tennis Championships.

Leslie Roland and Pia Holm also will represent MWC in the tournament as a doubles team.

Entertainment



Movies

at Dodd Auditorium

Tuesday Oct. 20 7:30/10:00 Far and Away
Saturday Oct. 24 12:00 Boyz In The Hood
Sunday Oct. 25 7:30/10:00
Boyz In The Hood

Shows

Oct. 23: The Brand New
Heavies with Pharcyde, 7:30
p.m. Great Hall; \$5 MWC
students, \$10 non-MWC.

Oct. 24: Fredericksburg
Singers Concert; Stephen
Burton conducting; Dodd
Auditorium 8:00 p.m. Free.

Oct. 25: Stockholm Arts Trio;
Dodd Auditorium 4:00 p.m.
Free.

Exhibits

Belmont Gallery
224 Washington St.
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. daily, 1-4 p.m. Sunday.
899-4860. MWC ID free.
Through March: "A Retrospective
Survey of Works by Gari Melchers"

James Monroe Museum
908 Charles St. 899-4559
Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
\$3 adults, \$1 ages 6-18, MWC ID free.
Through Oct. 31: "Images of a Presi-
dent: Portraits of James Monroe."

duPont Galleries
MWF, 10-4; Sat, Sun 1-4. Free.
Through December 8: Two Photo-
graphic Exhibitions:
"Architecture in Virginia: The Old
Dominion"
"Creating a Bronze Sculpture by the
Lost-Wax Process"

Ridderhof Martin Gallery
MWF 10-4; Sat, Sun 1-4. Free.
"Inaugural exhibit of Phyllis Ridderhof
Martin's Paintings"

Lectures

Oct. 20: "Business in Bulgaria"
Margaret A. Clayton, Assistant
Professor of Business Administration;
Trinkle 204; 7:30 p.m. Free.

Oct. 21: "Images of a President:
Portraits of James Monroe"
David Meschutt, Curator of Art, West
Point Museum; Monroe 104;
7:30 p.m. Free.

Take Note

Oct. 23 & 24: Ghost Walk; Historic
Fredericksburg; 6-9 p.m. Sponsored by the
MWC Historic Preservation Club.
Reservations required, 899-4137.
Tickets: \$5 adults,
\$3 senior citizens and children under 12.

If you would like to announce any entertainment
oriented events, contact Michele Raynor or Lori
Betourne at x4393

Stockholm Arts Trio Visits As Part of Series

By Michelle Smith
Bulletin Staff Writer

Travelling all the way from Sweden, the Stockholm Arts Trio is on its way to Mary Washington College to impress students, faculty and the community with their classical music.

The Committee for Campus Academic Resources, which is comprised of various professors in the areas of arts, history and education and two student members, recruited the talented musical trio to perform for the college community as part of the Mary Washington College Artists Series.

Patricia Norwood, professor of music, and a member of the committee, said, "They are a sought after group and we enthusiastically responded to the opportunity to have them here this fall."

The Stockholm Arts Trio is a group which is comprised of young musicians who play classical and chamber style music. Formed in 1986, the group is managed by Joanne Rile of the Joanne Rile Artists Management Inc., of Jenkintown, Penn.

"The Fresk Quartet, who are the best known chamber musicians in Sweden, recommended the group highly and said that I should definitely listen to their demonstration tape and needless to say, I did. I was so enthralled and so mesmerized by their sheer talent that I knew I had to work with them," said Rile in a telephone interview.

The trio made their debut performance with the Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra in Sweden in 1987. The critic, Svenska Dagbladet, praised its performance of the Beethoven Triple Concerto saying, "We can be proud of these three young, intelligent musicians, who will stand up to any international comparison."

Martine Roberts, an MWC junior, said, "I heard that their performance was excellent the first time they came to the states, so I'm interested in finding out if what my friends say is true. It should be an enlightening and cultural experience. I'm looking forward to it."



R.E.M. Releases Another Album New Album Brings Back Their Old Style

By Maureen Kelly
Bulletin Staff Writer

R.E.M., the band synonymous with politically correct folk-rock, released their newest album, "Automatic for the People," on Oct. 6. Eager fans were most likely pleased with the band's attempts to combine brooding lyrics with fluid sound.

Differing greatly from their previous album, "Out of Time," "Automatic for the People" is not what the band originally intended. Hoping for a sharper rock sound, the songs on the new LP evolved into an emphasis on slow rhythms, weird messages, and striking vocals. Nonetheless, the music justifies the anticipation by both fans and skeptics.

A product of month-long writing binges, "Automatic" is, by far, R.E.M.'s strangest endeavor. More like their previous work than "Out of Time," most of the songs appearing on "Automatic" do not cross the line into mainstream. There are three fast songs, but overall the music contained on the album is dark. The first single, "Drive," and the second song on the LP, "Try Not to Breathe" are two examples of the band's maudlin sound.

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The Stockholm Arts Trio will be performing Oct. 25 in Dodd Auditorium at 4 p.m.

The Stockholm Arts Trio began performing in the United States in 1988 and returned in October 1989 to perform a whirlwind tour through ten states. In October 1990, they performed in Weill Recital Hall as part of Carnegie Hall's 100th Anniversary celebration.

In addition to the group's performances, they also made their first gramophone recording Brahms' Trio in B major, Opus 8 on the Recut Records label. The trio appeared in a gala television production of that same work. They are scheduled to record major chamber music repertoire on various labels.

Rile said, "They are also successful as virtuoso performers in their own right and are extremely musical and very precise in their playing," said Rile.

In 1985, Dan Almgren (violin) and Stefan Bojsten (piano) won the Premio Vittorio Gui in Florence, Italy, which is one of the largest and most recognized competitions for chamber music. In the same year, Torleif

Thedeen, won three of the world's most prestigious competitions for cellists. This recognition and publicity brought Thedeen numerous invitations from leading symphony orchestras and chamber music festivals throughout Scandinavia and Europe.

Rile remarked on how excited the group is about coming and performing for Mary Washington College. "They love coming to the United States and they especially love meeting and talking to Americans."

"All who are lovers of classical and chamber music should come to the show. I certainly won't be one to miss it," Norwood said.

She also added that the committee was able to get the Stockholm Trio for only \$3,000, which according to her is "dirt cheap."

The Stockholm Arts Trio will perform in concert on Oct. 25 at 4 p.m. in Dodd Auditorium. The performance is open to the public and is free of charge.

SAE To Lighten MWC With Brand New Heavies

Band Plays A Mix of Hip-Hop, R&B, Rap

By Lori Betourne
Bulletin Entertainment Editor

Although their name may sound like an improved version of the Fat Boys, the Brand New Heavies (BNH) is a group who combines the 70s groove, R&B and rap. This style is sure to get feet moving and your hips pumping.

Sponsored by Student Association Entertainment (SAE), BNH will be performing in the Great Hall on Oct. 24. Eric Axelsson, co-chair of SAE, said BNH should be the best live show this year.

"A hip-hop band is opening up, so there will be a mixed crowd. The Heavies will do a few numbers with them, plus a few of their own," Axelsson said.

BNH creates their unique style by drawing from a variety of musical elements. They use samples, drum machines, as well as jazz-like riffs and strong vocals. They use these techniques to create an unusual but upbeat sound that has launched them to the top of the R&B charts. The band's sound originated in Ealing, England and they boast fans on both sides of the Atlantic.

"We've always been interested in rap and its development as a musical form. We've seen that the common denominator of both our music is funk, and we realize that many of the same influences and elements that inform hip-hop also apply to The Brand New Heavies," said drummer Jan Kincaid in a recent press release.

The band's latest album, "Heavy Rhyme Experience: Vol. 1," features collaboration with groups such as Main Source and Black Sheep and artists such as Masta Ace and Jamalski. BNH has also recorded several singles and one of their songs, "People Get Ready (remix)," was featured on the "Juice" soundtrack.

BNH has not only been influenced by two countries, but they have been influenced by a variety of musical groups as well. The band says they were inspired by such musical talents as James Brown, Earth, Wind & Fire, as

well as Jimi Hendrix.

The three members, Simon Bartholomew, Andrew Levy and Kincaid have been together since high school in West London. After graduation, they dared to make it big, and in 1988 signed with a British record label. By 1990, they had signed with an American record company and had made connections with N'Dea Davenport who has served as a guest vocalist on their album. Davenport has backed up artists such as Madonna and Tone-Loc.

According to Axelsson, anyone who wants to dance will want to see BNH. He said that although the band does not have a video on MTV, they are a tight band with original sound.

"Even the average suburban white boy knows about the Brand New Heavies," Axelsson said.

Zelina Murray said she is very excited about seeing the group because it makes her want to dance. She describes their music as a cross between Steely Dan and James Brown, a style that will appeal to anyone. She says that BNH should be a hit.

"I was surprised no one knew who they are. I'm really interested in seeing them — and dancing," she said.

Axelsson said the show will have minimal security and he is not expecting any problems. The police will have hand held metal detectors and students will also provide security inside the show. This type of security is standard, and most bands request this type of control, Axelsson said.

SAE was able to bring BNH to Mary Washington for a reasonable price considering their popularity, Axelsson said. The band will be in Washington, D.C. the night before playing at The Ritz, a club where well-known bands like Black Sheep have played.

The Pharcyde, a hip-hop group who has been featured with BNH before, will be opening for BNH on Saturday night.

The doors of the Great Hall will open at 7:30, and admission is \$5 for MWC students, \$10 for guests. After the show, there will be a dance in the Great Hall until 1 a.m.

VOLUNTEER

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I returned to my group, which was spending a lot of time patiently waiting for me, and we walked back to the big white volunteer tent to find out the official word on the Quilt today. Once inside, I began observing nametags and where people were from and as I read state name after state name, I began to get visions of Muslims making pilgrimages to Mecca.

The announcement was made that the Quilt would not be shown today but that the reading of the NAMES would begin at ten o'clock as scheduled. We decided to check out the area, of the Quilt, that we would be unfolding while waiting on the NAMES to be read. While walking on the walkways, I got an eerie feeling. I was still having problems comprehending that all this space was going to be covered by the Quilt in 24 hours. It was just too much.

After we found our area, we returned to the podium area. We prepared to hear the reading of the first NAMES. I stood huddled under an umbrella with my friend and team captain Brian Sullivan, as Cleve Jones was introduced and took a stand behind the podium to read the first name: "Marvin Feldman."

As he read on, the rain began to pour down harder and faster and I got the feeling that I was at a graduation ceremony from a high school or college where no one was ready to graduate from and having a panel on the Quilt was their diploma.

When we left the reading of the NAMES around 2 p.m., I looked out at the empty space behind the monument again. There was much to look forward to the next morning.

Saturday morning arrived, and this time we were up at six, due to a hotel wake-up call. There were three of us that morning. Part of our unfolding team, Tara Johnson and Professor Parker, had to leave, because of prior commitments. So Tari Stage, Tiffany Cotran, and I walked to meet the rest of our group in Dupont Circle. On the way to The Mall, I began to

get anxious because I knew that the Quilt was going out today. The weather was beautiful.

Once we arrived at The Mall, I was again awestruck by all the white-clad volunteers and the visions of Mecca returned. The ground was full of mud puddles, so once again we had to wait on official word to find out when the Quilt was exactly going out. We found out that it would go out at ten o'clock and all of our unfolding team met in our section of the Quilt. We gathered there to receive instructions from our team leader on how to specifically unfold the panels. Then we received word that the grounds were too muddy and the Quilt unfolding ceremony would be at noon instead. However the reading of the NAMES would begin at ten o'clock. My heart sank a little because I was ready to unfold the Quilt right then.

So once again we were playing the waiting game, and I watched as volunteers for the grounds started laying down tarps on some of the muddier sections of where the Quilt would lay.

Sometime between 10 a.m. and noon, someone decided that there would not be an official unfolding ceremony. The Quilt would just be put out as soon as possible so that the public could view it. I was little disappointed because I wanted to take part in the official ceremony but I put my selfish feelings behind and began to help out with a Quilt panel. As the panels were unfolded, I found myself stopping and trying to look at all of them, until someone would shout out, "We need another person over here" and my attention would snap back to what I supposed to be doing.

All the panels were laid out a little after noon, and all volunteers were asked to clear the Quilt and line-up around the edges. I stood there looking at how much space it covered and realized that those people who told me that it was indescribable were right. It is absolutely a magnificent sight to see, but I didn't know how to describe how I felt at that moment.

All the volunteers were asked to join hands, and after a moment of

silence the Quilt was open to the public. As I began to look at the separate panels, I became more aware of the people around me. Somehow I hadn't really taken note of just how many people were actually there to view it. As I walked on I began to feel overwhelmed by the names and the images on the panels, and the reality that the Quilt represented a small percentage of AIDS deaths. I realized there was no way that I could see all of them. I felt chills, despite the warm sunny weather, as I read letters attached to some panels. But I knew that I couldn't cry because I didn't feel it was my place to. How could I imitate the pain these people had gone through when they lost their loved ones to AIDS? I couldn't but I knew that I could care. I began to watch as friends and families began to break down and cry at the sight of a recognized name and I watched as one man got down and laid on a panel and cried. There were tissue boxes on the corners of each section of panels—they were not full for long. I looked around hoping to see Ford, I really wanted to see him. I wanted to know how he was, but I didn't see him or the panel he had made for his lover who had died of AIDS. I also wondered how Ruth was doing, but I didn't see her either.

I looked at my watch and I realized that I had to go. I had a train to catch and I hadn't packed my things yet. I decided to leave earlier than I wanted to because I didn't know how long it would take me to get a taxi in D.C. on a Saturday or how long it would take me to get my things together and get to Union Station to catch my train. I told my friend Brian good-bye, and thanked him for letting me be a part of his team. Then I headed back to the hotel. It didn't take me so long to catch a taxi after all.

While sitting in Union Station, I saw familiar sights once again—people in white, wearing red ribbons. When I got on the train, I pulled out my book with pictures of Quilt panels in it, the same book with which I had become well-acquainted in the last few weeks and began flipping through

it, recognizing panels that I had seen only a few hours ago. I looked up and someone walking down the aisle had a T-shirt that read "Show The World This Can't Go On." It listed the date of the international display of the Quilt and said "Be There." I smiled at that person as he walked by. "I was," I said.

CHAIR

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vice president for administrative services, "This is the opportunity to find out what it's like to be in a wheelchair." He said that a lot of buildings have problems being completely equipped for the handicapped student, due to their age. For instance, he said that George Washington Hall is accessible, but bathrooms and telephones do not meet the needs of the student with physical disabilities. Lefferts, Beck and Warlick said that they would be interested in participating, depending on their schedules. Smith said that he hopes to finalize everything in order for the event to occur between October 22 and 27. He said that he will send letters to the administrators listing details.

"I'm making arrangements now with Kings Dominion to hopefully get the wheelchairs because they have a large enough number that I can get nine or 10," said Smith, who has worked at the amusement park for six years.

Smith said he hopes the project is successful. "It's an experience everybody at least should understand about."

Junior Anne Kennedy said, "It's easy to sympathize for the handicapped for a few minutes, but until anyone feels what they have to go through for at least 24 hours they have no right to deny the handicapped the minimal conveniences they are asking for."

Junior Anne Donoghue said, "I think it's a really good idea, but it's really sad that measures like this have to be taken for the administration to realize what's going on."

TATTOO

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to a prolonged bee sting.

"I always get the opposite reaction than I expect. The toughest-looking men have cried like babies. Some women have gone through the entire process without batting an eye," said King.

I watched quietly as Tom got his tattoo. He didn't seem to be in too much pain, he just sat in the chair, silent as can be, for the entire 45 minutes. He looked like he was going to laugh or scream at any moment. He did neither, he just looked relieved when it was all done.

"Oh, it wasn't that bad, it just felt kind of annoying after a while," he said.

I sat down in the chair and showed King the spot where I wanted my tattoo, on top of my left thigh, where it can be hidden years from now when I'm working in an office. After placing the stencil on my leg, King picked up the needle to begin.

First he filled the needle with black ink to outline the design on my leg, which King feels is the least painful part of the process. I watched in awe as he pressed the whirling machine into my flesh and drops of ink filled my skin, as drops of blood came out. Every few minutes, he wiped the area with antiseptic to remove excess ink so that he could clearly see the design. He stopped several times to change colors and needles for each color. A single needle was used for the filling in of the colors, but the area

was basically numb by this point, so it didn't really bother me. It did start to feel annoying, but I reacted exactly the opposite of his. I didn't stop talking the entire 30 minutes.

"Okay, miss, we're all done. Just keep you Baciaroni on it. Call me if you have any problems," said King.

I looked down, and sure enough, on my leg was the picture I had designed earlier in the evening. My tattoo is a small black ank, the Egyptian symbol for eternal life, with a red rose wrapped around it. I love it, which is good since it is now permanently with me.

According to *Art, Sex, and Symbol* by R.W.B. Scott and Christopher Goich, tattoos have been extremely difficult to remove throughout history. People went to such lengths as burning them off with nitric acid, and trying to over-tattoo with flesh-colored ink. These processes were not very successful, and people ended up being committed for life. Recent advances in laser surgery have made removal much easier and less costly. Laser beams can selectively absorb tattoo pigments at a cost near \$1,000, according to Scott and Goich.

We shook hands with King, and piled back into the van. This time our destination would be more fun. We headed towards a party near campus to show all our friends our new decorations. I'm not extremely modest, and I did not hesitate to show my upper thigh to friends and perfect strangers alike. I had suffered for this glory.

R.E.M.

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The album would not be complete without a politically inspired message. The song "Ignorance" is a Republican protest song and is one of the three upbeat songs.

Singer/songwriter Michael Stipe's lyrics and vocals show his interest in making sure the new album was different. He added several different surprises to the ear.

Arranged by Led Zeppelin's John

Paul Jones and the Psychedelic Furs' Knox Chandler, "Automatic for the People" was co-produced by Scott Litt and R.E.M. The music was recorded in Crescent City, New York, Miami and Seattle. The band does not plan to tour, despite the success of yet another endeavor.

Undoubtedly, the sound of the new R.E.M. is strange, but the band maintains its sound and redeems its reputation.

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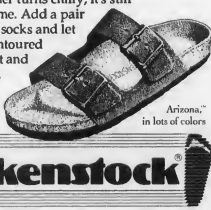
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THE TRIP - Leaving from Washington during week one of the First Five-Week Term of Summer School, the group will fly to London for a six-day stay, and then travel to the continent to spend five days in Paris, four days in Vienna, three days in Prague, and then the last six days in Berlin. There will be three days for travel between London and Paris, Vienna and Prague and Prague and Berlin and an overnight train ride on the "Orient Express" from Paris to Vienna. The group will return to Washington from Berlin during the last week of the first summer school term.

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THE FACULTY - An interdisciplinary faculty will teach the course. Professor Porter Blakemore from History and Professor John Kramer from Political Science and International Affairs will accompany the students from city to city.

ELIGIBILITY - "European Capitals" is open to all Mary Washington College students interested in the history, culture and politics of Europe. Yet, there are a limited number of places available for this course and spots will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis.

COSTS - The cost per student, excluding the tuition costs for a six-credit course, will be approximately \$3450, which includes all travel expenses, overnight accommodations, breakfasts and admission costs to many museums, cultural sites and one day excursions.

QUESTIONS? - An information meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. in Monroe 202 on Wednesday, October 7. We will announce deadlines for participation at that time. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Mr. Blakemore or Mr. Kramer.

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Hey Mrs. P-
Thanks for your help with the B.A.R. stuff.
-B.A.R. Committee

Lil' John-
Cruel personal. Save it. Can't you be more constructive about ruining someone?
- U no hoo

Deb Brown-
Plain loves you. Love it back! Work!
-LJ

Nancy and Criselda-
Operation passover is not working very well. (Watch your butt)

Attention Juniors!!
Come order rings at the ring sale in Ball Circle Oct. 19-23 form 11am-3pm. Rain location - Underground.
-JR. Class Council Officers

Dara-
I'm sorry. Can we keep trying? I love you.
-Jellybean

Meta said hi to all of her Mentees.

Hey-
Subaru's are the best!
-Beer-goggle

Nicole-
You just need to calm down!

Shamu & Roomie-
Who else would it be? Nice room guys! I've always wanted to write one of these!
-Fred

Owner of Mr. Friend-
Hi sweetie. How is Hannibal Lecter?
-Spit

Schmoo-
Next time we're in Pizza Hut together, don't just LET the door shut! Can't wait 'til Christmas!
-Smugina

Carrie-
Harrison called, AGAIN!
-Garf

Peach-
Men aren't worth the trouble! You deserve better!!!!
-Corm

Bushwoman-
Hope you had a wonderful fall break seeing the "Phantom." Thanks for all the talks, and for being a great roomie!
-Persia and Junglewoman

Personals Guy-
Livin' it up in SLC, but lonely for you 3. How much is a subscription to the *Bullet* for me? Love, what's left of the family.

Stealth Jane-
The fat dog barks at the moon. Irish do it better, and I think you're jealous of my Irish chin.
-Brom Lover

Junglewoman-
Congratulations to you and Tarzan!
-Bushwoman and Persia

To The Tribe-
Thank for everything guys. Maybe I won't transfer! Wanna go to the cemetery?
Love- Jen

Hey U Salty Pop-
Was it getting so hot and stuffy up North last April that you had to turn on that AC? How could U? What were you trying to preserve?
Love- The Ones You Know

Hey Mainstream Chick-
Love ya babe for the east to the west to the north and to the south.

Nancy-
You are the apple of my poo-tang.
-C.

N-
The Goolrick Walk clinches it, let's get outta here!! Go for Spain.
Love ya lots-
The Fire Drill Observer

To the Pitts-
Control yourselves. You had so many hardbuds on the floor this weekend I couldn't get the door open.
Love- Nunya and Chester

Jarrod-
You sucker. Thanks for dissing your true friends. You have lost your roots. It's still not too late.
-The C.S. Posse

Hang Babe-
Hang tough - hang loose, but hang high!

Hey Peanut-Butter Jelly Sandwich Man-
Are you finished eating the cake yet?
-Love you know who
Excuse me are those Bugle Boy panties you're wearing.
Thank you- Lazy Eye

Monument Boyz-
Thanks for all the help and support. It means a lot to me and Bar.
-George B.

Combat boat-
Why are we in college? We're all going to burn in hell anyway! And always remember so much depends upon a red wheelbarrel glazed with rain water beside the white chickens.
-Stealth Mary

B.J.-
Thanks for the 5, 10, 15... I love you!
-A Dog Person

Hey Skittelman-
How is your woman-hunt going? Hope you had an awesome break. We missed ya!
Love- The Peanut Butter and Jelly Bonders.

John R. in Madison-
You're irresistible and strong. I've been watching you.
-Enamored

NO NO & Co.-
I hope I did not start any bad Monday night habits.
-NPS 132

Faith-
Hi. How was that test? A for you? You know it. O by the way, do you think I like beating you up every night?

Yolanda-
What's up? How is the school work?
-Zi
P.S. Are you happy now?

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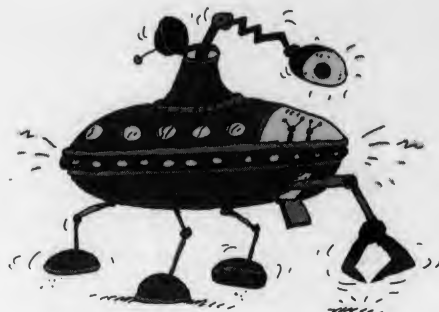
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